

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Introduced by: (VA)

AN ACT CONCERNING PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR VETERANS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision (19) of section 12-81 of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 3 October 1, 2009, and applicable to assessment years commencing on or after
- 4 October 1, 2009):
- 5 (19) (A) Subject to the provisions of sections 12-89, 12-90 and 12-95,
- 6 property to the amount of one thousand dollars belonging to, or held
- 7 in trust for, any resident of this state who (a) is a veteran of the armed
- 8 forces in service in time of war, (b) [any resident of this state who] was
- 9 a citizen of the United States at the time of his enlistment and who was
- in the military or naval service of a government allied or associated
- 11 with that of the United States during the Second World War and
- 12 received an honorable discharge therefrom, (c) [any resident of this
- 13 state who] served during the Second World War as a member of any
- 14 armed force of any government signatory to the United Nations
- Declaration of January 1, 1942, and participated in armed conflict with
- an enemy of the United States and who has been a citizen of the United

States for at least ten years and presents satisfactory evidence of such 17 18 service, (d) [any resident of this state who] served as a member of the 19 crew of a merchant vessel during the Second World War and is 20 qualified with respect to such service as a member of the group known 21 as the "American Merchant Marine in ocean-going service during the 22 period of armed conflict, December 7, 1941, to August 15, 1945", 23 members of which are deemed to be eligible for certain veterans 24 benefits under a determination in the United States Department of 25 Defense, as recorded in the Federal Register of February 1, 1988, 26 provided such resident has received an armed forces discharge 27 certificate from the Department of Defense on the basis of such service, 28 (e) [any] is a member of the armed forces who was in service in time of 29 war and is still in the service and by reason of continuous service has 30 not as yet received a discharge, (f) [any person who] is retired from the 31 armed forces after thirty years of service because he has reached the 32 age limit prescribed by law or because he suffers from mental or 33 physical disability, or (g) [any person who] is serving in the armed 34 services in time of war; or lacking said amount of property in his own 35 name, so much of the property belonging to, or held in trust for, his 36 spouse, who is domiciled with him, as is necessary to equal said amount. For the purposes of this subdivision, "veteran", "armed forces" 37 38 and "service in time of war" have the same meaning as in section 27-39 103;

(B) Subject to the provisions of sections 12-89, 12-90 and 12-95, property to the amount of one thousand dollars belonging to, or held in trust for, any nonresident of this state who is a veteran of the armed forces in service in time of war, provided the property is the primary residence of the parent or parents of such nonresident.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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Section 1	October 1, 2009, and	12-81(19)
	applicable to assessment	
	years commencing on or	
	after October 1, 2009	

Statement of Purpose:

To extend the veterans' property tax exemption to a home owned by a nonresident provided the home is the primary residence of such nonresident's parent or parents.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]